

**MINUTES
ALHAMBRA CITY COUNCIL
ALHAMBRA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
Joint Regular Meeting
June 23, 2008
5:30 p.m.**

ROLL CALL: At 5:30 p.m., on Monday, June 23, 2008, the Alhambra City Council and the Alhambra Redevelopment Agency (ARA) met in the Council Chambers of the Alhambra City Hall, 111 South First Street, Alhambra, California.

CITY COUNCIL/ARA BOARD MEMBERS:

**PRESENT: PLACIDO, AYALA, YAMAUCHI, SHAM
ABSENT: MESSINA**

Officials Present: City Manager/ARA Executive Director Fuentes, Assistant City Manager/Personnel Director Bacio, City Attorney/Agency Counsel Montes, City Clerk/ARA Assistant Secretary Moore, Director of Development Services/ARA Deputy Executive Director Martin, Director of Finance Longballa, Director of Public Works Swink, Deputy City Manager Schultz, Library Director Hernandez, Sergeant-at-Arms Villegas

FLAG SALUTE: Led by Chairman Sham.

RESOLUTIONS BY TITLE ONLY

On motion of Mr. YAMAUCHI, seconded by Dr. PLACIDO, and carried unanimously (PLACIDO, AYALA, YAMAUCHI, SHAM, [MESSINA, absent]) the City Attorney/Agency Counsel was instructed to read by title only all resolutions appearing in these minutes which are required by law to be read in their entirety.

PRESENTATION:

1. ALHAMBRA CIVIC CENTER LIBRARY MONUMENT SIGNS – F2M8-38

Director of Public Works **SWINK** made a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Library's two monument signs staff was recommending for placement on First Street and Second Street. A copy of her presentation is on file in the City Clerk's Office as F2M8-38. She described the First Street Library monument sign as a formal sign at the main entry, similar to the City Hall and Police Department monument signs only with the new Library logo reflective of the *Alhambra* in Spain. The Second Street Library sign was more playful, a stack of books entitled "Alhambra Civic Center Library" with the new Library logo underneath. In response to various concerns raised by individual Council Members regarding sign materials, **Stephen FINNEY** of CWA ARCHITECTS, replied the

intention was to go with an acid-etched metal or a bronze with the letters for “Alhambra Civic Center Library” in a contrasting metal color pinned on. A discussion with Council members ensued regarding types of sign lighting, vandal and graffiti-resistant materials, metal oxidation and sealers to arrest corrosion.

Responding to Mr. **YAMAUCHI**, Ms. **SWINK** stated the signs were part of the FF & E (Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment) budget, which was not part of the Contractor’s budget. As Council directed, staff would prepare a Request for Proposals to send to companies for prices. City Manager **FUENTES** indicated this evening staff was just looking for approval of the concept and the design. As to materials, he added that staff would try to pick the best materials to maintain the signs properly. Dr. **PLACIDO** was concerned with potential vandalism to the signs, suggesting cement or colored concrete as possible options. Mr. **SHAM** agreed concrete was easier to maintain. Mayor. **AYALA** suggested the Council conduct an evaluation of metal vs. concrete. Ms. **SWINK** suggested to the Council that staff put out a Request for Proposals for both designs giving the pros and cons of both materials as well as the prices.

Action Taken: Council reviewed the design concepts of the monument signs to be installed on both sides of the Library and directed staff to prepare a Request for Proposals for the two Library monument signs that would give costs as well as the pros and cons of using either metal or concrete.

Vote: Moved: YAMAUCHI Seconded: PLACIDO
Ayes: YAMAUCHI, PLACIDO, AYALA, SHAM
Noes: NONE
Absent: MESSINA

2. CIVIC CENTER LIBRARY – EXTERIOR FINISH – F2M8-64

Staff reviewed with the City Council options for the exterior finish of the Civic Center Library. City Manager **FUENTES** discussed the difficulty the City was having with the exterior of the rotunda area of the new Library. Council had discussed before the “comb” effect for this area, but that work had been done and did not meet expectations. Overall, the building looked attractive, except for the two areas at the top. Staff had talked of changing the look from its concrete comb effect, possibly applying a smooth surface similar to the balance of the building. Applying a different paint to break up the look would be okay, but would not provide an overwhelming feature to make the building stand out.

Stephen FINNEY of CWA ARCHITECTS provided the Council with three ideas focusing on Moorish designs and a fourth idea regarding tile work. A copy of Mr. Finney’s presentation is on file in the City Clerk’s Office as F2M8-64. He suggested several ways to enliven the curvilinear portions of the roof. Originally, a green color had been proposed, then beige which was a little more contextual. Mr. **FUENTES** noted that the equipment used to create the comb effect showed streaks along the curvature. Applying paint would bring out the streaking but that did not look right. Mr. **FINNEY** remarked that introducing a pattern to a curve accentuated how one looked around a corner because it foreshortened a pattern and brought out the three-dimensional nature of a curved surface. He presented a graphic to be used on furniture inside the Library and noted

that same graphic could be applied as a painted, four-colored finish, much like wallpaper, applied with a stencil to create a pattern. He presented three such schemes for Council consideration. The fourth option he presented was for glass tiles similar to that within the Library, which he noted would add tremendous sparkle to the building. An option within this option was ceramic mosaic tile as opposed to glass mosaic tile. Regarding costs for the various options, Mr. Finney estimated at 4,000 square feet the various options would cost for the glass tile between \$200,000 to \$225,000, for the mosaic tile between \$160,000 to \$175,000 depending on the type of tile selected, and the “middle” painting option, with a protective acrylic coating, approximately \$80,000. The cost for the simplest entry level scheme, leaving the comb finish in place, would be about \$55,000.

Discussion: In response to Dr. **PLACIDO**, Mr. **FINNEY** stated the estimates included installation, including protecting the deck tile already in place, protecting the scaffolding of the façade, and shielding everything else in place by the contractor. He underscored that the material would only be applied to the circular component and not wrapped back into the glass which would generate piece work. They were trying to do it as simply as possible no matter what material was used. Responding to Mr. **YAMAUCHI**'s question regarding Mr. Finney's past experience with dome structures, lights and glass or metal reflective paneling, Mr. **FINNEY** remarked he had not drawn anything but had thoughts of taking what was there, adding new color and putting on an acrylic on the panel and then perhaps etch this pattern into it. The Library had lights located down on the deck shining up on the wall. At night it was set up for glazing light that goes up the wall surface. The issue then became buying curved polycarbonate or curved glass, which was just more money, but that was another possibility. Mayor **AYALA** favored the mosaic tile which reflected the Moorish theme. If it was in the budget, Mr. Ayala was for that. Dr. **PLACIDO** agreed with Mayor Ayala, commenting that for the \$50,000 difference the City would get more “bang for the buck.” Answering Mr. **SHAM**, Director of Public Works **SWINK** remarked the City did have a contingency of over \$300,000 and there were no overages.

City Manager **FUENTES** noted this item was a final adjustment to a building that would hopefully last the next 50 years. We could do the cone effect and paint it tomorrow, but that would not highlight the architectural beauty of the Library. The City had already spent \$30 million on the project and we really needed to bring it home. This would be that final element. Dr. **PLACIDO** raised the issue of type of tile to which Mr. **FINNEY** suggested that his firm would like to put samples on a wall for the Council to get a feel as to how it might look. In response to Mayor **AYALA**, Mr. **FINNEY** stated the Moorish figure facing Alhambra High School on Second Street was taken from *Tales of the Alhambra* and would be made of glass. Mr. **AYALA** requested a third option that included doing the two monument signs in tile. Regarding Mr. **SHAM**'s question on the time element, Mr. **FINNEY** stated it was a matter of finding the correct artisan for placing the tile and what his work schedule might be; however, he estimated it could be completed in 6 weeks, with the primary issue being the availability of the tile selected. Ms. **SWINK** reported the contractor would hand the building over to the City by the end of July, 2008, with the Grand Opening scheduled for September 13, 2008. If this all happened by the first of August, they could easily start the tile work.

Action Taken: After reviewing the options for the Library's exterior finish, Council moved to have Stephen Finney of CWA Architects return with tile samples to show the

City Council.

Vote: Moved: PLACIDO Seconded: YAMAUCHI
Ayes: YAMAUCHI, PLACIDO, AYALA, SHAM
Noes: NONE
Absent: MESSINA

PUBLIC HEARING:

3. HEARING: AMEND AGENCY FIVE-YEAR (2005-2009) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN – F2M4-513, N2M8-500, M2M8-511

This was the time and place set by **Notice No. N2M8-500** for the Alhambra Redevelopment Agency Board to hold a public hearing pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 33490(a) to consider amending the Alhambra Redevelopment Agency's Five-Year Implementation Plan, adopted January 1, 2005, by adding to the objectives and Goals of the current Plan. The purpose of the proposed Amendment is to identify current and future financing of public parking lots and structures and other public facilities in the Redevelopment Project Areas as more fully discussed in the Deputy Executive Director's June 23, 2008 report on file in the City Clerk's Office.

Director of Development Services **MARTIN** stated that later during this evening's 5:30 p.m. Agency meeting, staff was presenting a Reimbursement Agreement between the City and the Agency for public parking lot use associated with the Costco expansion project, which item was also reflected in the Budget to be presented during the 7:30 p.m. portion of this evening's meeting. For the Agency to enter into that Reimbursement Agreement with the City whereby the Agency would begin reimbursing the City for its payments on the sublease, the Agency has to be able to find that it is consistent with the Implementation Plan because it is a public facility. Agency Counsel has drafted an amendment to the Implementation Plan which would allow the Agency to enter into such agreements with the City in the future for public parking lots, public parking structures, utility lines, and other types of public facilities.

Opened & Closed Public Hearing: Chairman **SHAM** opened the public hearing, and as there was no one present desiring to speak, he closed the same.

Action Taken: Agency Board adopted **Minute Order No. M2M8-511** as follows:

RESOLVED by the Alhambra Redevelopment Agency Board that pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 33490(c), this Board hereby approves that certain Amendment to the 2005-2009 Five Year Implementation Plan, a copy of which said Amendment is on file in the office of the City Clerk as F2M4-513 and incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof as though fully set forth herein.

Vote: Moved: YAMAUCHI Seconded: AYALA
Ayes: YAMAUCHI, PLACIDO, AYALA, SHAM
Noes: NONE
Absent: MESSINA

AGENCY/COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA (Item Nos. 4 – 7)

Excepting for Item No. 7, all items listed under the Consent Agenda were considered by the Agency Board/City Council to be routine and, therefore, were enacted by one motion.

4. FY 2008-09 STATEMENT OF INVESTMENT POLICY – F2M2-50, M2M8-50

The City must annually adopt a formal Investment Policy that serves as a guide for the Treasurer to determine what types of investments, terms, and amounts are appropriate for the City and Agency to invest idle cash throughout the year. Consequently, staff requested City Council approval of a Statement of Investment Policy for Fiscal Year 2008-2009 as more fully discussed in the Director of Finance’s June 23, 2008 report.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: City Council adopted **Minute Order No. M2M8-50** as follows:

RESOLVED by the Alhambra City Council that this Council hereby approves that certain investment policy document for the City of Alhambra and the Alhambra Redevelopment Agency entitled, *City of Alhambra Statement of Investment Policy - Fiscal Year 2008-2009*, on file in the City Clerk’s Office as F2M2-50 and by this reference incorporated herein and made a part hereof as though fully set forth herein, which document supersedes and replaces that certain document entitled *City of Alhambra Statement of Investment Policy - Fiscal Year 2007-08*; and, the Director of Finance is hereby authorized to take any and all actions necessary to implement said Investment Policy.

Vote: Moved: AYALA Seconded: PLACIDO
Ayes: YAMAUCHI, PLACIDO, AYALA, SHAM
Noes: NONE
Absent: MESSINA

5. AGREEMENT FOR FY 2008/10 FAIR HOUSING SERVICES – F2M6-64, M2M8-43, C2M4-47

Staff requested the City Council to extend the agreement with the Housing Rights Center for Professional Fair Housing Services for FY 2008-2010. The Housing Rights Center has served the City of Alhambra by providing our residents with quality fair housing services since 1998. The Housing Rights Center proposed to provide the City of Alhambra with Fair Housing Services for FY 2008-2009 at a cost of \$27,000 and FY 2009-2010 at a cost of \$28,200. The cost of providing fair housing services through the Housing Rights Center will be funded annually with \$25,000 of the City’s annual CDBG allocation. The remainder will be funded with ARA Low/Mod Housing Funds.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: City Council adopted **Minute Order No. M2M8-43** as follows:

RESOLVED by the Alhambra City Council that this Council hereby approves that certain THIRD AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT, dated effective July 1, 2008, by and between the CITY OF ALHAMBRA and the HOUSING RIGHTS CENTER FOR PROFESSIONAL FAIR HOUSING SERVICES, a copy of which Amendment is on file in the office of the City Clerk as Contract No. C2M4-47 and by this reference incorporated herein and made a part hereof as though fully set forth herein; and, after said Amendment has been duly executed by said Housing Rights Center, the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute said Amendment for and on behalf of the City of Alhambra and the City Clerk is hereby authorized to attest the same and to affix the Seal of said City thereto.

Vote: Moved: AYALA Seconded: PLACIDO
Ayes: YAMAUCHI, PLACIDO, AYALA, SHAM
Noes: NONE
Absent: MESSINA

6. REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT: RELATING TO SUBLEASE BETWEEN THE CITY OF ALHAMBRA & COSTCO WHOLESALE – F2M2-89, C2M8-507, R2M8-1001, M2M8-1002

On July 1, 2004 the City entered into a Sublease Agreement with Costco to lease a new parking lot for public parking. For the past three years the annual lease payments have been made by the City from a portion of the sales tax revenue generated by the Costco store. Due to the benefit that the Industrial Redevelopment Project Area enjoys from the Sublease, it would be appropriate for the Agency to make the annual payments due on the Sublease. The City Attorney/Agency Counsel had drafted a Reimbursement Agreement between the City and Agency that will require the Agency to reimburse the City for lease payments, if Agency funds are available. The Agency has the financial ability and shall pay the City such payments from the Agency general fund (Fund 93). In order for both entities to enter into the Reimbursement Agreement, certain findings must be made consistent with Health and Safety Code Section 33445.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: Agency Board and City Council jointly and severally took the following actions:

A. Adopted **Resolution No. R2M8-1001** entitled: *A Joint Resolution of the Alhambra City Council and Alhambra Redevelopment Agency Board with Findings required pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 33445, authorizing the Agency to provide funds to the City to assist in funding the cost of construction of the Costco Expansion and Parking Lot Project, and*

B. Adopted **Minute Order No. M2M8-1002** as follows:

RESOLVED by the Alhambra City Council and the Alhambra Redevelopment Agency Board that this Agency Board and City

Council hereby approve that certain PROJECT REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT (the "Agreement"), dated July 1, 2008, by and between the ALHAMBRA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY and the CITY OF ALHAMBRA, a copy of which is on file in the office of the City Clerk as **Contract No. C2M8-507** and by this reference incorporated herein and made a part hereof as though fully set forth herein; and, the Mayor and the Chairman are hereby authorized to execute such Agreement for and on behalf of the City and the Agency, respectively, and the City Clerk and Secretary are hereby authorized to attest he same and to affix the Seals of said City and Agency thereto; and

Vote: Moved: AYALA Seconded: PLACIDO
Ayes: YAMAUCHI, PLACIDO, AYALA, SHAM
Noes: NONE
Absent: MESSINA

7. ALHAMBRA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE - F2M1-51, C2M8-33, C2M8-508, M2M8-1003

SHAM: As this item presented a potential conflict of interest for him, Chairman Sham recused himself without leaving the dais.

Staff requested that the City Council and Agency Board approve those certain agreements with the Alhambra Chamber of Commerce for promotional activities on behalf of the City and the Redevelopment Agency for fiscal years 2008-09 and 2009-10 as more fully discussed in the Deputy City Manager/Director of Development Services' June 23, 2008 report on file in the City Clerk's Office.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: The City Council and Agency Board jointly and severally adopted **Minute Order No. M2M8-1003** as follows:

RESOLVED by the Alhambra City Council and the Alhambra Redevelopment Agency Board as follows:

SECTION ONE: The City Council hereby approves that certain AGREEMENT, dated effective July 1, 2008, by and between the CITY OF ALHAMBRA and the ALHAMBRA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, for certain promotional activities, for fiscal years 2008-2009 and 2009-2010 in the total amount of not to exceed \$111,925 for each said fiscal year, a copy of which Agreement is on file in the office of the City Clerk as **Contract No. C2M8-33** and by this reference incorporated herein and made a part hereof as though fully set forth herein; and, after such Agreement has been duly executed by the Alhambra Chamber of Commerce, the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute said Agreement for and on behalf of the City and the City Clerk is hereby authorized to attest the same and to affix the Seal of said City thereto.

SECTION TWO: This Agency Board hereby approves that certain AGREEMENT, dated effective July 1, 2008, by and between the ALHAMBRA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY and the ALHAMBRA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, for certain promotional activities; i.e., downtown/business outreach, for fiscal years 2008-2009 and 2009-2010, in the total amount of \$53,045 for each said fiscal year, a copy of which Agreement is on file in the office of the City Clerk as **Contract No. C2M8-508** and by this reference incorporated herein and made a part hereof as though fully set forth herein; and, after such Agreement has been duly executed by the Alhambra Chamber of Commerce, the ARA Chairman is hereby authorized to execute said Agreement for and on behalf of the Alhambra Redevelopment Agency and the Secretary is hereby authorized to attest the same and to affix the Seal of said Agency thereto.

Vote: Moved: PLACIDO Seconded: YAMAUCHI
Ayes: YAMAUCHI, PLACIDO, AYALA
Noes: NONE
Abstained: SHAM
Absent: MESSINA

8. TREASURER'S REPORT - F2M8-1

The Director of Finance has prepared the Treasurer's Report for the month of May, 2008, listing all of the City's and the Alhambra Redevelopment Agency's investments as of May 31, 2008, a copy of which is on file in the office of the City Clerk as File No. F2M8-1.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: City Council/Agency Board approved as submitted.

Vote: Moved: AYALA Seconded: PLACIDO
Ayes: YAMAUCHI, PLACIDO, AYALA, SHAM
Noes: NONE
Absent: MESSINA

9. MINUTES

The Minutes of the (8:00 a.m.) June 2, 2008 Adjourned Regular Meeting of the Alhambra City Council and Alhambra Redevelopment Agency, and the (5:30 p.m.) June 2, 2008 Special Joint Meeting of the Alhambra Unified School District Board of Education and Alhambra City Council were submitted to the Agency Board and/or City Council for approval.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: Agency Board/City Council approved as submitted.

Vote: Moved: AYALA Seconded: PLACIDO
 Ayes: YAMAUCHI, PLACIDO, AYALA, SHAM
 Noes: NONE
 Absent: MESSINA

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None

CLOSED SESSION & CITY ATTORNEY ANNOUNCEMENT re SAME - F2M8-14

City Attorney/Agency Counsel **MONTES** identified those items listed on this evening's agenda which would be discussed in Closed Session as follows:

Conference with Real Property Negotiator (Govt. Code Section 54956.8):

Property: 1811 West Main Street, Negotiating parties: Rich Wilson and City Manager/ARA Executive Director Julio J. Fuentes & Director of Development Services Martin, Under Negotiation: Instruction to negotiators will concern price, terms of payment or both.

Conference with Legal Counsel--Existing Litigation (Govt. Code Section 54956.9(a):

Lauren M. Cruz, et al., vs. City of Alhambra, et al., Case No. CWC #L207,509DMD

Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation: Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Govt. Code Section 54956.9(b): None. Initiation of litigation pursuant to Govt. Code Section 54956.9(c): 1 matter.

whereupon at 6:15 .m., the Agency Board and City Council moved into closed session pursuant to applicable law, including the Brown Act (Government Code Sec. 54950, *et seq.*) for the purpose of conferring with the Agency Counsel/City Attorney.

RECONVENE & ARA RECESS: At 7:10 p.m., the Agency Board and City Council moved out of closed session with all members present, whereupon the ARA Chairman recessed the Agency's meeting until such time as the City Council had completed the public portion of its agenda.

**MINUTES
ALHAMBRA CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting
June 23, 2008
7:00 p.m.**

RECONVENE & ROLL CALL: At 7:10 p.m., on Monday, June 23, 2008, the Alhambra City Council met in the Council Chambers of the Alhambra City Hall

PRESENT: SHAM, YAMAUCHI, PLACIDO, AYALA
ABSENT: MESSINA

Officials Present: City Manager Fuentes, Assistant City Manager/Personnel Director Bacio, City Attorney Montes, City Clerk Moore, Director of Development Services Martin, Director of Finance Longballa, Director of Public Works Swink, Director of Utilities Montan, Director of Community Services Jarvis, Chief of Police Hudson, Fire Chief Kemp, Deputy City Manager Schultz, Library Director Hernandez, Code Enforcement Manager Bisogno, Sergeant-at-Arms Villegas

FLAG SALUTE: Led by Mayor Ayala

RESOLUTIONS BY TITLE ONLY

On motion of Mr. SHAM, seconded by Dr. PLACIDO, and carried unanimously (SHAM, YAMAUCHI, PLACIDO, AYALA [MESSINA, absent]) the City Attorney was instructed to read by title only all resolutions appearing in these minutes which are required by law to be read in their entirety.

CEREMONIAL

1. COMMENDATION BY ASIAN PACIFIC FAMILY CENTER TO CITY FOR HOSTING ALCOHOL-FREE FAMILY EVENTS -- F2M8-3

The **ASIAN PACIFIC FAMILY CENTER** recognized the City of Alhambra for hosting alcohol-free family events by presenting a **CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION** to the City of Alhambra, which Certificate was presented by **WENLI JEN, Ed. M., Prevention Program Coordinator, Asian Pacific Family Center** and representatives from the Family Center. **Mayor AYALA accepted** the Certificate on behalf of the City.

PUBLIC HEARING:

2. PUBLIC HEARING: 2008-09 BUDGET & 2008-2009 APPROPRIATION LIMIT – F2M8-17, N2M8-74, R2M8-9, R2M8-17

This was the time and place set by **Notice No. N2M8-74** for the City Council to hold a public hearing to consider the following:

- A. *FY 2008-09 Budget:*** The adoption of the Annual Budget for the City of Alhambra, the Alhambra Redevelopment Agency, the Golf Course Clubhouse

Corporation, the Alhambra Capital Improvements Corporation, and the Alhambra Public Financing Authority for the fiscal years 2008-2009 through 2012-2013, as well as the Capital Improvements Plan for the 2008-2009 through 2012-2013 fiscal years, as more fully discussed in the June 23, 2008 joint report of the City Manager and Director of Finance on file in the City Clerk's Office.

City Manager **FUENTES** stated this budget represented a change in the way the City did business. Whereas normally the City had a two-year budget, this budget only had allocations for one fiscal year, given the difficult economy and how conservatively the City had forecasted its revenues and costs. The City had quite a lot of development it wished to pursue, but had not moved forward because of the slumping economy. Staff did not want to get too aggressive in forecasting what could be done beyond this one fiscal year. The budget guideline, therefore, was for 12 months. Mr. Fuentes stated that the budget presented this evening is a balanced budget.

Director of Finance **LONGBALLA** reviewed with the City Council a PowerPoint presentation of the Annual Budget for the City of Alhambra, on file in the City Clerk's Office. Mr. Longballa complimented staff, particularly Assistant Director of Finance Dean Johnson and Information Services Manager Glen Paik, without whom the Annual Budget for FY 2008-2009 could not have been completed on time. The Budget and Capital Improvement Plan were available for public review at the City Clerk's Office and Finance Department at City Hall, as well as the City Library. The City's website (www.cityofalhambra.org) would also have the document available by Wednesday, June 25, 2008. Mr. Longballa noted that the 400-page Budget document could be reviewed by citizens in less accounting detail through the six-page overview at the beginning of the Budget.

Opened Public Hearing: Mayor **AYALA** opened the public hearing.

1. **Lillian AYALA**, *Residents for a Better Alhambra*, complimented the City Manager for keeping the City "in the black," then asked for an explanation regarding the Appropriation Limit. Director of Finance **LONGBALLA** explained the Appropriation Limit was an attempt after Proposition 13 and later Proposition 13B to limit spending to income, or limit expenditures to the actual taxes that had been raised. A City with tax proceeds greater than the limit established had to return those proceeds to the taxpayers, or go to taxpayers to get their approval to spend them. The City of Alhambra has always been favorably under the limit and currently is \$65 million under the limit. Mr. **FUENTES** further explained that the Gann Initiative established the Appropriation Limit the City could spend. The appropriate limit for the 2008-09 fiscal year is \$104,380,953 and the applicable appropriations subject to this limitation is \$38,905,713; therefore, the City is favorable under the appropriation limit by \$65,675,239. This means if the City had available another \$65 million, which we do not, we could spend that amount up to \$104 million.

2. **Efren MORENO**, 1712 West Ramona Road, asked how many vacancies there were in the Police and Fire Departments in the last budget and questioned several figures from the Budget report which Director of Finance **LONGBALLA** and City Manager **FUENTES** expanded upon. Regarding Police vacancies in the last budget, Chief of Police **HUDSON** stated the positions in the last budget the Department would have been authorized to fill. In this budget process, the Department was just holding them vacant until such time as we can figure out what Sacramento was going to do.

Closed Public Hearing: There being no one further wishing to speak, Mayor **AYALA** closed the public hearing.

Discussion: Mayor **AYALA** noted the several budget meetings where Council met with staff to see where cuts could potentially be made by the various departments. The Mayor commended staff for providing the Council the information they needed so that some of those cuts might be made. Several months ago Assemblyman Eng had made a presentation on how bleak the State budget looked and it appeared where the City was with its budget was a triumph compared to others. Councilmember **SHAM** also commended staff for presenting a balanced budget.

Action Taken: City Council adopted **Resolution No. R2M8-9** entitled: *A Resolution of the Alhambra City Council approving the Budget of the City of Alhambra, including the Alhambra Redevelopment Agency, Golf Course Clubhouse Corporation, Alhambra Capital Improvements Corporation, and the Alhambra Public Financing Authority for the 2008-2009 fiscal year and the Capital Improvements Plan for the 2008-2009 through 2012-2013 fiscal years.*

Vote: Moved: SHAM Seconded: PLACIDO
Ayes: SHAM, YAMAUCHI, PLACIDO, AYALA
Noes: None
Absent: MESSINA

B. *FY 2008-2009 Appropriation Limit.* Proposition XIII B (Gann Initiative) prohibits local agencies from exceeding their 1978-79 fiscal year appropriations after allowing for cost-of-living (CPI) and population changes which are certified by the State Department of Finance. Proposition 111 allows the City to adjust its annual limits for the following factors:

- a) Either the California Per Capita Income or the percentage change in local assessment roll from the preceding year due to the addition of local nonresidential construction in the City.
- b) Either the City's own population growth or the population growth of the

entire county.

Government Code Section 7910 requires agencies to adopt a resolution each year disclosing their appropriation limit. In accordance with Proposition 111, the City is required to conduct a review of their appropriations limit during the annual financial audit. For fiscal year 2006-2007, the City's appropriation limit was reviewed by our auditors, Diehl, Evans & Company, LLP, and determined to be properly calculated. The calculations in computing the City of Alhambra's appropriation limit for the 2008-09 fiscal year are on file in the Finance Department. The appropriation limit for the 2008-09 fiscal year is \$104,580,953 and the applicable appropriations subject to this limitation are \$38,905,713. Therefore, the City is under the appropriations limit by \$65,675,239.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: Adopted **Resolution No. R2M8-17** entitled: *A Resolution of the Alhambra City Council establishing the appropriation limit for FY 2008-2009 and approving the annual adjustment factors used in the calculation thereof.*

Vote: Moved: SHAM Seconded: PLACIDO
Ayes: SHAM, YAMAUCHI, PLACIDO, AYALA
Noes: None
Absent: MESSINA

PRESENTATION:

3. STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE – F2M8-58

On June 2, 2008, the City Council and Executive Staff met to review and set new three-year goals (2008-2011) and six-month objectives to implement the City's strategic plan. During the strategic planning process, it was determined that the staff will review the progress of the goals and objectives and present to the City Council the status on a monthly basis. Deputy City Manager **SCHULTZ** updated the Council as to the progress on these goals and objectives as more fully discussed in her June 23, 2008 report on file in the City Clerk's Office.

Citizen Input: **Lillian ANAYA**, *Residents for a Better Alhambra*, asked questions regarding several items addressed in the Strategic Plan to which staff responded as follows:

City Manager **FUENTES** reported the Agency was negotiating a development Agreement with Volkswagen and would report back to Council in early June, 2008. Regarding the *Super A* site, that site had been sold to private owners who will go through some form of planning entitlement; however, he did not know if that would involve retaining *Super A* as that decision would be made by the owners. Dr. **PLACIDO**

added it was a private transaction between the former owner and the current owners and out of the Agency's and City's hands. The Agency and City never had control of *Super A* or input into what happens with it. Regarding canvassing City businesses for licenses, Mayor **AYALA** stated this was under consideration. The Deputy City Manager was working on the project, but details had not as yet been worked out, but a plan would be developed in the near future. Regarding an evaluation of the Code Enforcement Division, he stated this was an effort to enhance the Division and was under consideration by the City Manager and Assistant to the City Manager. Dr. **PLACIDO** noted that the three or four Emergency Planning workshops last year were different from those spoken of this evening in the Strategic Plan which were Citizens' Emergency Response Team (CERT) workshops for citizens who wished to assist in the event of a disaster. Mayor **AYALA** remarked that the *Project Pride* program was simply a neighborhood enhancement program to motivate residents to take care of their neighborhoods. Regarding the day laborer problems at Home Depot, Mr. Ayala noted the City has had discussions with Home Depot and has scheduled a meeting with their Director of Government Relations as there were a number of issues besides day laborers the City wished to discuss with Home Depot.

Regarding the Caltrans land issue, Mayor **AYALA** reported that Caltrans came to the City regarding a 13-acre site at Front Street and Valley Boulevard. The proposal would have the City assume the lease for a minimal \$100 a year. Since then the City of Los Angeles has gotten involved and the City was trying to figure out how to partner with Los Angeles to enhance and beautify that area. With respect to the Gateway project funding, Mayor **AYALA** responded it was from Caltrans, although the City was waiting for State monies through the Rivers and Mountain Conservancy (Proposition 84). That was part of the beautification effort for Fremont Avenue and Valley Boulevard. Regarding the *Summer Jubilee*, City Manager **FUENTES** reported that funding had been approved earlier this year, allowing staff to work with the performers and others participating in the event. There was no money identified for the *Summer Jubilee* in 2009 and, unless the economy improved and the budget returned to where it was before, there might not be money in the future. The Council understood the value of the *Summer Jubilee* and its importance to the community. Staff had been directed to find creative ways of funding it; however, he did not know what that might be at this time.

Action Taken: Received and ordered filed the informational report presented this evening.

CONSENT AGENDA (Item Nos. 4 - 16)

With the exception of Item Nos. 5, 9, and 11, all items listed under the Consent Agenda, were considered by the City Council to be routine and, therefore, were acted upon by one motion.

4. MOBILE SOURCE AIR POLLUTION REDUCTION REVIEW COMMITTEE GRANT – F91-51, F2M8-18, M2M8-51

Staff requested the Council accept a local government match grant from the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee in the amount of \$145,839.00. Staff

applied for the grant for the purchase of three heavy-duty compressed natural gas (CNG) fueled vehicles and for an upgrade/expansion of the existing CNG fueling station at the City Yard. Matching funds will come from the Department budget, including annual AQMD AB2766 funds and Proposition A and C Local Return monies.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: Adopted **Minute Order No. M2M8-51** as follows:

RESOLVED by the Alhambra City Council that this Council hereby accepts the \$145,839.00 grant from the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee and, in connection therewith, hereby authorizes the City Manager to sign on behalf of the City of Alhambra any and all documents required to implement the actions taken hereby.

Vote: Moved: YAMAUCHI Seconded: AYALA
Ayes: SHAM, YAMAUCHI, PLACIDO, AYALA
Noes: None
Absent: MESSINA

5. TRAFFIC CONTROL: STOP SIGN INSTALLATIONS AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS - F2M8-9, M2M8-52

City Engineer **CAYIR** reported that staff is requesting the City Council to review the Stop Control Study for the intersections of Shorb Street and Ethel Avenue; Shorb Street and Campbell Avenue; Shorb Street and Electric Lane; and, Shorb Street and Curtis Lane (currently there are no stop signs at these intersections) all of which are either "T" or 4-way type intersections with no stop controls on either street, and approve the installation of stop signs on one of the crossing streets to improve the safety and prevent potential driver confusion as to the right-of-way. He stressed that the stop signs would be installed in one direction only--they were not full 4-way stop sign installations.

Discussion: None.

Action Taken: Adopted **Minute Order No. M2M8-52** as follows:

RESOLVED by the Alhambra City Council as follows:

SECTION ONE; This Council hereby declares Ethel Avenue as a through street; and, in connection therewith, this Council hereby authorizes the installation of a stop sign on Shorb Street at its "T" intersection with Ethel Avenue in accordance with Section 11.20.020 of the Alhambra Municipal Code,

SECTION TWO: This Council hereby declares Shorb Street as a through street; and, in connection therewith, this Council hereby authorizes the installation of a stop sign for north- and south-bound traffic on Campbell Avenue at its intersection with Shorb Street in accordance with Section 11.20.020 of the Alhambra Municipal Code,

SECTION THREE: This Council hereby declares Shorb Street as a through street; and, in connection therewith, this Council hereby authorizes the installation of a stop sign for north- and south-bound traffic on Electric Lane at its intersection with Shorb Street in accordance with Section 11.20.020 of the Alhambra Municipal Code,

SECTION FOUR: This Council hereby declares Shorb Street as a through street; and, in connection therewith, this Council hereby authorizes the installation of a stop sign for north- and south-bound traffic on Curtis Lane at its intersection with Shorb Street in accordance with Section 11.20.020 of the Alhambra Municipal Code,

SECTION FIVE: The Chief of Police shall install the aforesaid stop signs with the assistance of the Department of Public Works, and staff is hereby directed to implement the additional traffic safety measures as outlined in the Director of Public Works' June 23, 2008 report on file in the City Clerk's Office.

Vote: Moved: SHAM Seconded: YAMAUCHI
Ayes: SHAM, YAMAUCHI, AYALA
Noes: PLACIDO
Absent: MESSINA

6. MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT: LOS ANGELES RIVER METALS TMDLS – F2M7-44, M2M8-44, C2M8-27

Staff requested Council authorize execution of a Memorandum of Agreement with the Gateway Cities Council of Governments (GCCOG) for administration and cost-sharing implementation of the Coordinated Monitoring Plan for the Los Angeles River and Tributaries Metals Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) as more fully discussed in the Director of Utilities' June 23, 2008 report on file in the City Clerk's Office. The estimated first year watershed-wide CMP costs are approximately \$590,000, which includes purchase and installation of auto-sampling devices. The current estimated City of Alhambra costs, based on the Metal TMDLs allocation formula, are \$8,659 for the first year, \$3,153 for the second year, and \$2,818 for each of the final two years. Funds were available in the FY 2007-08 budget line item 01-676-682.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: Adopted **Minute Order No. M2M8-44** as follows:

RESOLVED by the Alhambra City Council that this Council hereby approves that certain MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GATEWAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS AND THE CITY OF ALHAMBRA, a copy of which Agreement is on file in the office of the City Clerk as **Contract No. C2M8-27** and by this reference incorporated herein and made a part hereof as though fully set forth herein; and the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute such Agreement for and on behalf of the City of Alhambra and the City Clerk is hereby authorized to attest the same and to affix the Seal of said City thereto.

Vote: Moved: YAMAUCHI Seconded: AYALA
Ayes: SHAM, YAMAUCHI, PLACIDO, AYALA
Noes: None
Absent: MESSINA

7. CONTRACT AMENDMENT: TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS, INC. - F98-22, C98-5, M2M8-53

Staff requested Council authorization to renew the City's Agreement with Technology Systems, Inc., for fiscal year 2008-09 for computer programming and database support for the City's financial management, utility billing, and network systems as more fully discussed in the Director of Finance's June 23, 2007 report on file in the City Clerk's Office.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: Adopted **Minute Order No. M2M8-53** as follows:

RESOLVED by the Alhambra City Council that this Council hereby approves that certain THIRTEENTH AMENDMENT TO SOFTWARE SERVICES AND CONSULTING AGREEMENT (the "Amendment"), by and between the CITY OF ALHAMBRA and TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS INC. ("TSI"), a copy of which Amendment is on file in the office of the City Clerk as Contract No. C98-5 and by this reference incorporated herein and made a part hereof; and, after such Amendment has been duly executed by TSI, the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute said Amendment for and on behalf of the City of Alhambra and the City Clerk is hereby authorized to attest the same and to affix the Seal of said City thereto.

Vote: Moved: YAMAUCHI Seconded: AYALA
Ayes: SHAM, YAMAUCHI, PLACIDO, AYALA
Noes: None

Absent: MESSINA

8. CONTRACT AMENDMENT: CAM SERVICES – CUSTODIAL SERVICES - F2M1-113, C2M2-31, M2M8-59

Staff requested that the City Council amend the City's Agreement with CAM Services for an extension of their current agreement for building maintenance services for City Hall, the Police Department, Library, Fire Station 71, Utilities, the City Yards and the Utilities Customer Service Center to extend the current terms through September 30, 2008 and postpone consideration of the optional one-year extension. The extension includes a caveat to consider the additional cost of the new Library facility once it is opened. The extension includes an increase based on CPI with a maximum of 3%.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: Adopted **Minute Order No. M2M8-59** as follows:

RESOLVED by the Alhambra City Council that this Council hereby approves that certain SIXTH AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT, by and between the CITY OF ALHAMBRA and COMMON AREA MAINTENANCE (CAM) SERVICES, INC., dated effective as of July 1, 2008, (the "Amendment"), a copy of which Amendment is on file in the office of the City Clerk as Contract No. C2M2-31 and by this reference incorporated herein and made a part hereof as though fully set forth herein; and, after such Amendment has been duly executed by CAM, the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute said Amendment for and on behalf of the City of Alhambra and the City Clerk is hereby authorized to attest the same and to affix the Seal of said City thereto.

Vote: Moved: YAMAUCHI Seconded: AYALA
Ayes: SHAM, YAMAUCHI, PLACIDO, AYALA
Noes: None
Absent: MESSINA

9. CONTRACT AWARD: TRANSPORTATION SERVICES FOR ACT BUS & SENIOR RIDE – F2M8-53, RFP2M8-5, M2M8-58, C2M8-32

SHAM: As this item presented a potential conflict of interest for him, Councilmember Sham recused himself without leaving the dais.

On May 14, 2008, staff circulated an RFP to provide contract transit operation for Alhambra Community Transit (ACT) and Alhambra Senior Ride. Letters were sent to transportation operators in the area and the RFP was advertised on the City web page.

On June 6, 2008, proposals were received from First Transit, Inc., MV Transit, Inc., and Southland Transit Inc. Staff reviewed the proposals submitted by the three transit companies and is now recommending that the contract be awarded to Southland Transit as more fully discussed in the Directors of Public Works/ Community Services' June 23, 2008 report on file in the City Clerk's Office. Funding for the ACT and Senior Ride shall be from the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transit Authority's Proposition A and Proposition C Local Return Programs.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: Adopted **Minute Order No. M2M8-58** as follows:

RESOLVED by the Alhambra City Council that this Council hereby accepts that certain Proposal submitted by SOUTHLAND TRANSIT, INC., in response to the City's Request for Proposal No. RFP2M8-5 for Operation of the Alhambra Community Transit (ACT) and Senior Ride programs, in the first year amount of \$1,313,034.00, for fiscal year 2008-09, with four subsequent one-year renewals; and, in connection therewith, hereby directs the City Attorney to prepare the necessary **Contract No. C2M8-32** therefor, and after said Agreement has been so prepared, approved as to content and form by both the City Manager and the City Attorney and duly executed by said Southland Transit, Inc., the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute said Agreement for and on behalf of the City of Alhambra and the City Clerk is hereby authorized to attest the same and to affix the Seal of said City thereto; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Alhambra City Council that this Council hereby directs the Director of Finance to appropriate the necessary funds out of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transit Authority's Proposition A and Proposition C Local Return Program monies to cover the cost thereof.

Vote: Moved: YAMAUCHI Seconded: AYALA
Ayes: YAMAUCHI, PLACIDO, AYALA
Noes: NONE
Abstained: SHAM
Absent: MESSINA

10. AWARD BID: CIVIC CENTER LIBRARY PUBLIC COMPUTERS & MONITORS – F2M8-62, C2M8-30, M2M8-54

Staff requested Council award a contract to CDW-G for the purchase and delivery of 94 public PCs and Monitors that will be installed in the new Civic Center Library, as more fully discussed in the Library Director's June 23, 2008 report on file in the City Clerk's office. Staff requested a bid for this project utilizing the Western States Contracting

Alliance (WSCA) and CDW-G submitted a bid of \$76,015.36 for 94 HP Small Form Factor PCs and 94 ACER 17" monitors. As CDW-G is a WSCA-approved vendor, the State has determined that the prices offered are fair, reasonable, and competitive. Funding for these PCs and monitors is in the Library project budget.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: Adopted **Minute Order No. M2M8-54** as follows:

RESOLVED by the Alhambra City Council that based upon that certain June 23, 2008 report of the Library Director on file in the City Clerk's Office as F2M8-62 and in accordance with Chapter 3.36 of the Alhambra Municipal Code, this Council hereby accepts the bid of CDW-G, in the amount of \$76,015.36, for the Civic Center Library Public Computers and Monitors Project (the "Project"); and, in connection therewith, hereby directs the City Attorney to prepare the necessary AGREEMENT (**Contract No. C2M8-30**) with said vendor; and, after said Agreement has been prepared, approved as to content and form by both the City Manager and the City Attorney, and duly executed by said vendor,, the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute said Agreement for and on behalf of the City of Alhambra and the City Clerk is hereby authorized to attest the same and to affix the Seal of said City thereto.

Vote: Moved: YAMAUCHI Seconded: AYALA
Ayes: SHAM, YAMAUCHI, PLACIDO, AYALA
Noes: None
Absent: MESSINA

11. AWARD CONTRACT: JAIL SERVICES – F2M8-49, F2M2-29, RFP2M8-5, M2M8-55, C2M8-31

Chief of Police **HUDSON** reported that on April 28, 2008, the City Council authorized staff to publish a Request for Proposals No. RFP2M8-5 for contract jail services in the Police Department. On May 26, 2008, two proposals were received in response to said RFP from the following firms: Cornell Companies, Inc., and Paladin Eastside Services, Inc. He further reported that staff is requesting the City Council to authorize the Chief of Police to negotiate a three-year contract with an option to renew for two years with Cornell Companies, Inc., for jail services at the Alhambra Police Department.

Citizen Input: **Lillian ANAYA** asked what kind of jail services the Police Department was getting, to which Chief of Police **HUDSON** responded this was an all-inclusive contract for all services provided to house the City's local prisoners as well as Federal prisoners that the City took on contract.

Action Taken: Adopted **Minute Order No. M2M8-55** as follows:

RESOLVED by the Alhambra City Council that this Council hereby authorizes the Chief of Police to negotiate a three-year contract with an option to renew for two-years for jail services with Cornell Companies, Inc., and, when and if such negotiations are satisfactorily completed, the City Attorney is hereby directed to prepare the necessary AGREEMENT (**Contract No. C2M8-31**) with CORNELL COMPANIES, INC., and after such Agreement has been drafted, approved as to content and form by both the City Manager and the City Attorney, and duly executed by CORNELL COMPANIES, INC., the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute said Agreement for and on behalf of the City of Alhambra and the City Clerk is hereby authorized to attest the same and to affix the Seal of said City thereto.

Vote: Moved: YAMAUCHI Seconded: AYALA
Ayes: SHAM, YAMAUCHI, PLACIDO, AYALA
Noes: None
Absent: MESSINA

12. PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT: AKM CONSULTING ENGINEERS, INC. – ANNUAL PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES—WATER SYSTEM – F2M8-43, RFP2M8-4, C2M8-28, M2M8-48

Staff requested Council award a contract to AKM Consulting Engineers, Inc., for Annual Professional Engineering Services—Water System, in the amount of not-to-exceed \$200,000 for fiscal year 2008-2009, as more fully discussed in the Director of Utilities’ June 23, 2008 report on file in the City Clerk’s Office.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: Adopted **Minute Order No. M2M8-48** as follows:

RESOLVED by the Alhambra City Council that this Council hereby approves that certain AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES: WATER SYSTEM (the “Agreement”), dated effective July 1, 2008, with AKM CONSULTING ENGINEERS, INC., a copy of which is on file in the City Clerk’s Office as **Contract No. C2M8-28**, and incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof as though fully set forth herein; and, after such Agreement has been duly executed by said Consultant, the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute said Agreement for and on behalf of the City of Alhambra and the City Clerk is hereby authorized to attest the same and to affix the Seal of said City thereto.

Vote: Moved: YAMAUCHI Seconded: AYALA
Ayes: SHAM, YAMAUCHI, PLACIDO, AYALA

Noes: None
Absent: MESSINA

13. NOTICE OF COMPLETION: FREMONT AVENUE OVERLAY PROJECT – F2M7-49, M2M8-57, C2M7-49

Staff requested the City Council to accept the work of SIALIC CONTRACTORS dba SHAWNAN for completion of the Fremont Avenue Overlay: Commonwealth Ave to the Northern City Limits and Montezuma Ave to the Southern City Limits Project. One change order was issued for a reduction to the contract to reflect actual quantities installed. This was a credit to the contract in the amount of \$171,297.46. Final cost for the project with one deduction change order was \$1,169,577.04.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: Adopted **Minute Order No. M2M8-57** as follows:

RESOLVED by the Alhambra City Council that this Council hereby

- 1) Approves that certain Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. C2M7-49 with SIALIC CONTRACTORS dba SHAWNAN (the "Contractor") for the Fremont Avenue Overlay: Commonwealth Ave to the Northern City Limits and Montezuma Ave to the Southern City Limits Project (the "Project"), in the amount of \$171,297.46 for a reduction in the contract to reflect actual quantities installed;
- 2) Accepts as being fully complete, the work by said Contractor for said Project under Contract No. C2M7-49;
- 3) Authorizes payment forthwith of the remaining unpaid balance, not to exceed 90 percent of the contract price, to said Contractor, or its assigns;
- 4) Authorizes the City Manager to sign the Notice of Completion and the City Clerk to record the same with the Los Angeles County Recorder; and,
- 5) Authorizes payment of the balance of the contract price to said Contractor, or its assigns, on or about 35 days after recordation of said Notice of Completion; provided there have been no mechanic's lien or stop notices filed against said work which have not been paid, withdrawn or eliminated as a lien against said work.

Vote: Moved: YAMAUCHI Seconded: AYALA

Ayes: SHAM, YAMAUCHI, PLACIDO, AYALA
Noes: None
Absent: MESSINA

14. 11-4-08 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION: CONSOLIDATION WITH THE STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD THE SAME DATE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY - F2M8-29, R2M8-16

Staff requested the City Council to request the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors to order the consolidation of the November 4, 2008 Alhambra General Municipal Election with that of the Statewide General Election to be held that same date in Los Angeles County and provide certain services in connection therewith, as more fully discussed in the City Clerk's June 23, 2008 report on file in the City Clerk's Office.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: Adopted **Resolution No. R2M8-16** entitled: *A Resolution of the Alhambra City Council requesting the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles to order the consolidation of an Alhambra General Municipal Election to be held on November 4, 2008 with the Statewide General Election to be held in Los Angeles County the same day, to authorize the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles to canvass the returns of said General Municipal Election and to request that the Registrar of Voters of said County be permitted to render specified services to the City of Alhambra relating to the conduct of said General Municipal Election.*

Vote: Moved: YAMAUCHI Seconded: AYALA
Ayes: SHAM, YAMAUCHI, PLACIDO, AYALA
Noes: None
Absent: MESSINA

15. PERSONNEL ACTIONS – F2M8-2

List of Personnel Actions had been prepared showing the various appointments, classifications, salary changes, etc., since the last City Council meeting. It was now appropriate to ratify those actions by the City Manager

Discussion: None

Action Taken: Ratified the actions of the City Manager set forth in that certain Personnel Actions document dated June 23, 2008.

Vote: Moved: YAMAUCHI Seconded: AYALA
Ayes: SHAM, YAMAUCHI, PLACIDO, AYALA
Noes: None

Absent: MESSINA

16. DEMANDS - F2M8-1

General City Warrants (280838 thru 281027) in the amount of \$2,032,003.01, Schedule of Wire Transfers in the amount of \$364,996.35, and General City Warrants (281028 thru 281220) in the amount of \$1,001,516.56, all for the week ended June 5, 2008, were submitted for Council's approval.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: Approved as submitted.

Vote: Moved: YAMAUCHI Seconded: AYALA
Ayes: SHAM, YAMAUCHI, PLACIDO, AYALA
Noes: None
Absent: MESSINA

ORDINANCE – FIRST READING

17. SMOKE FREE PARKS – F2M8-42, F2M8-7, O2M8-4526

Matter continued to the July 14, 2008 Regular Alhambra City Council meeting.

Citizen Input: Lillian ANAYA, *Residents for a Better Alhambra*, asked if park parking lots and sidewalks around the perimeters of parks would be covered by the ordinance to which City Attorney **MONTES** responded that the proposed ordinance pertained to the area within the boundaries of all parks, adding that the City would interpret that to mean the parking lots, but probably not the sidewalks.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: F2M8-4

1. **Enio CORDOBA**, owner of *Let's Dance*, 17 South First Street, spoke to the issue of patrons being ticketed for parking in a business zone near his business. He requested ticketing first be done in the residential zones and that the 2 a.m. parking ordinance be amended so that businesses open that late could request an exclusionary zone or patrolling of that area after 5 a.m.

City Manager **FUENTES** noted this matter did not just involve customers, but employees of the business wanting to park on the street in front of the establishment. The parking ordinance prohibited parking on the street. Chief of Police **HUDSON** reported it was a City-wide ordinance that precluded people from parking on the street between 2 a.m. and

6 a.m. Regarding exclusions, such might be whatever the Council wished; however, it would be difficult for the Police Department to instruct parking enforcement people to *not* issue tickets in front of a particular location. There was also the issue of unequal enforcement of the law, not only in that location but City-wide. Staff was hesitant to recommend allowing such exclusions. City Manager **FUENTES** noted the parking structure was directly across the street from this business and the times for parking within the structure had been changed to allow for the 4 a.m. operation of his business and allowed the employees permit parking on the upper levels. Mayor **AYALA** suggested that a subsequent meeting be held where the specifics of Mr. Cordoba's issue could be discussed.

2. **Lillian ANAYA**, Residents for a Better Alhambra, noted there were no trash cans inside City Hall and requested them. She also had occasion to use the new unisex bathroom at City Hall and requested a larger trash receptacle for that bathroom.
3. **Marissa CASTRO-SALVATI**, Region Manager, Local Public Affairs, Southern California Edison (SCE), introduced **Michelle PREWITT**, Program Coordinator, Intergy Corporation, and **Holly BENNETT**, who updated the Council on the SCE/San Gabriel Valley Energy Wise Partnership. This year the Partnership was hoping to encourage 30 cities throughout the San Gabriel Valley to participate in retrofits; however, there was a catch: such projects would have to be done by November, 2008. Ms. **CASTRO-SALVATI** noted that the cost for standard performance contracts was about 5 cents per hour through rebates, but with the Partnership that figure had been doubled to 10 cents. With this new incentive, SCE was allowing 15 cents per kilowatt hour for rebates within a city facility. She hoped the City of Alhambra would consider other retrofits before the end of this year. The San Gabriel Valley Energy Wise Partnership was a partnership between the Southern California Association of Governments, San Gabriel Council of Governments, Southern California Edison and the implementer of the program, Intergy Corporation which had recently become a subsidiary of Willdan Group, Inc. Ms. **PREWITT** mentioned one additional incentive which is the direct replacement free of charge of any remaining incandescent light bulbs the City might have in its facilities with compact fluorescent light bulbs.
4. **May HUNG**, 1420 Countrywood Avenue (city unknown), stated that her car had been stolen on May 27; however, on May 28 and May 29, the car was ticketed in Alhambra for parking violations. Mayor **AYALA** directed her to meet with the Chief of Police Hudson after the meeting.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS (ANNOUNCEMENTS & FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS) – F2M8-7, F2M8-66

Councilmember **SHAM** extended an invitation to citizens to attend the July Fourth fireworks celebration starting at 9 p.m., at Almansor Park. Councilmember **YAMAUCHI** thanked those involved in the car wash sponsored by the Rotary Club, the Chamber of Commerce, the Alhambra Fire Firefighters' Association and other organizations to help raise money for 12-year

old Rubin Miramontes, suffering from ALZ, a disease similar to leukemia. The car wash was held June 21, 2008, 9 a.m. until 3 p.m., at two locations, the Alhambra Auto Kraft at Sixth and Main Streets and the West San Gabriel Valley YMCA. The Alhambra Police Officers' Association also donated a check for \$1,000. Through everyone's efforts we were able to raise over \$8,000. He announced that Rubin Miramontes' mother would be attending the City Council meeting on July 14, 2008 to thank all those involved. Mayor **AYALA** reported that Congressman Adam **SCHIFF** had called the Mayor over the weekend and had been able to secure over \$240,000 for road improvements in the City of Alhambra. The City was also partnering with the Alhambra Chamber of Commerce to visit the office of County Supervisor Michael Antonovich this coming Wednesday to hear about the County's budget and the impact that budget might have on Alhambra.

ARA RECONVENE & ADJOURNMENT: At 7:40 p.m., the ARA Chairman reconvened the Agency meeting with all members present; and, as there was no further business for the Agency Board or Council to transact, the ARA Chairman and Mayor adjourned their respective meetings to 5:30 a.m., on Monday, July 14, 2008, in the City Hall Council Chambers, 111 South First Street, Alhambra, California, for the purpose of meeting jointly.

FRANCES A. MOORE, CMC
CITY CLERK & ARA ASSISTANT SECRETARY
and
CRAIG ROGERS, CMC
ASSISTANT CITY CLERK